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FACT SHEET

FY08 Budget

MAYOR SANDERS INCLUDES FUNDING FOR 10 New/Improved Parks in FY08 BUDGET

Park and Recreation Budget Will Also Complete Funding for Seven Other Parks

Mayor Jerry Sanders announced today that as part of the Park and Recreation Department's FY08 budget, funds have been allocated for 10 new or enhanced parks throughout the City.

Also included are funds necessary to provide for the operations of seven additional park facilities which opened in previous fiscal years. Most of these parks opened this fiscal year with only partial funding based on their estimated opening date.

The Mayor's budget underscores his commitment to keep parks and recreational facilities a top priority even during difficult financial times.

New Facilities	Council District
Florence Joyner Elementary School Joint Use	3
Kennedy Porter Elementary School Joint Use	4
Ocean View Hills Elementary School Joint Use	8
Citywide Maintenance/Additional Open Space	All
Park de la Cruz (Phase II)	3
Rancho Encantada Neighborhood Park	7
Rodriquez Elementary School Joint Use	8
Teralta Park Comfort Station and Bike/Pedestrian Corridors	3
Thurgood Marshall School Joint Use	5
Torrey Del Mar Neighborhood Park	1

Annualizations (Balance of Funding for Parks Previously Opened	Council District
Camino Ruiz Neighborhood Park	5
Edison Elementary School Joint Use	3
Naval Training Center Phase I	2
Nobel Athletic Area and Recreation Center	1
Normal Heights Elementary School Joint Use	3
Citywide Additional Open Space	All
Charles L. Lewis, III Memorial Skate Park	4

ADDITIONAL PARK AND RECREATION BUDGET FACTS

- The Park and Recreation Department will maintain recreation center and skate park hours of operation at their FY07 levels, continuing to operate an average of 40-hours per week, year-round. Skate parks often average more than 40 hours per week.
- The Department's Aquatics Program will receive additional funding for hourly staff to help reduce deficits experienced in operating the Aquatics Program citywide.
- Pool operations will continue at FY07 levels, with the City operating four of 13 pools year-round: Vista Terrace (CD8), Memorial (CD8), Clairemont (CD6), and Ned Baumer (CD5).

The other nine pools will close on a rotational basis for 3.5 months, the same as was done in FY07.